

**Bicycle Transportation Advisory Commission  
City of Milpitas  
Sports Center Conference Room  
1325 East Calaveras Blvd.  
Milpitas, CA 95035**

**\*\*MONDAY\*\*  
August 8, 2005  
7:00 pm**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call & Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Announcements**
- IV. Approval of the Agenda**
- V. Approval of June 13, 2005 Minutes**
- VI. Citizen's Forum**

Members of the audience are invited to address the Commission on any subject not on the agenda. Speakers must supply their name and address for the record. Commission members cannot respond to issues brought forward, but may request the item to be placed on the agenda for future meeting. Each person wishing to speak on an item before the body at a regular or special meeting shall be permitted to be heard once for a maximum of three minutes

**VII. Topics**

**Report on Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements**

Amendment to the Bicycle Master Plan  
S Park Victoria - Pavement Rehabilitation Project

**Report on Safety**

**Report on Public Awareness**

Bicycle Map on the City of Milpitas Website Update  
Future Bicycle Education Outreach projects  
Milpitas Art and Wine Festival, August 20 and 21st

**VIII. New Business**

**Commission 2006 Work Plan  
SF Bay Trail, S. Fremont Blvd. terminus to Dixon Landing Rd.**

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**IX. Adjournment**

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## 2006 Annual Work Plan

### *BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION*

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Founded June 19, 1990, the Bicycle Transportation Advisory Commission (BTAC) advises the City Council about modification and expansion of the City of Milpitas' bikeway system. The Commission's goal is providing information that ultimately results in safe and convenient bicycle routes throughout the City while connecting routes to other cities for use by all cyclists. The Commission consists of five members and two alternates. Members are appointed to three-year terms and alternates are appointed to two-year terms.

BTAC meets bi-monthly, on the first Monday of every other month beginning in January 2005 at 7:00 pm in the City of Milpitas Sports Center Conference Room.. The meetings consist of reviewing development projects in relation to bicycle and pedestrian impacts as well as planning future programs and projects.

#### **Proposed project work plan:**

<b>Time Frame</b>	<b>Activity</b>
Ongoing Participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>♦ Review and comment on City development projects pertaining to bicycle and pedestrian access</li><li>♦ Review and update the Bicycle Master Plan as needed</li><li>♦ Review and update the Bicycle Map</li><li>♦ Promote the City of Milpitas as a bike-friendly city:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ League of American Bicyclist,</li><li>○ Bicycling Magazine</li></ul></li><li>♦ Get sponsors to fund distribution of bike safety items, such as helmets, back lights, leg bands, etc.</li><li>♦ <i>Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)</i><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Attend monthly meetings of VTA BPAC</li><li>○ Advocate Milpitas Bicycle needs as they related to the regional bicycle issues</li><li>○ Report Back to BTAC on regional bicycle activities</li></ul></li></ul>

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Time Frame	Activity
January- March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>♦ <b>Election of Officers-</b> Chair and Vice Chair</li><li>♦ Ask the City Council to declare a Bike Safety Day, which will coincide with Bike the Milpitas Trails. We can ask the members of the City Council to ride their bikes at these trails to promote them, promote bike riding and promote bike safety. This event must be heavily promoted, with the involvement of the Milpitas Post, prior and during the event.</li><li>♦ <b>Review of Existing and Future Transportation Report Update (Jan/Feb)</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Receiving a briefing on the Existing and Future Transportation Report by Transportation Planning Staff</li><li>○ Provide input on the report with a focus on the <i>Non-Motorized Transportation</i> section</li><li>○ Review and provide input on the <i>Potential Policies</i> section of the report</li></ul></li></ul>
April- June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>♦ <b>Bike to Work Day</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Bike to Work Day Proclamation</li><li>○ Bike to School Day Proclamation</li><li>○ Host and coordinate energizer stations the morning of Bike to Work Day</li></ul></li><li>♦ Annual Tour of Milpitas, using the trails and bike lanes around the city (15 miles, 5 miles)</li></ul>
July-September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>♦ Arts and Wine Festival host bicycle corral and distributed safety education materials and giveaways.</li><li>♦ Ask assistance from the crossing guards to remind students to properly ride their bikes and wear helmets properly.</li><li>♦ Coordinate with Milpitas police to host bicycle helmet safety assemblies.</li></ul>

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<b>Time Frame</b>	<b>Activity</b>
October- December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>♦ Create or order a child safety brochure to distribute to schools</li><li>♦ Helmet Distribution coordination</li><li>♦ International Walk to School Day Proclamation</li></ul>

BTAC will post any public information on the City's website including (but not limited too) meeting agenda, minutes, safety information, and the City's bicycle map.

**Project Name:** Fremont Boulevard to Dixon Landing Road Class I

**Project Location:**

The proposed Class I trail project is located in the southwestern corner of the city of Fremont. The project would provide an inter-county bicycle connection parallel to the Interstate 880 (I-880) corridor. The proposed trail would extend along an alignment on the west side of I-880 between Warren Avenue and Dixon Landing Road, providing a connection between Alameda and Santa Clara counties, and linking the cities of Fremont and Milpitas.

**Project Description:**

The proposed Class I trail project would complete a critical gap in the inter-county bikeway system between Alameda and Santa Clara counties along the I-880 corridor, providing a link between Fremont and Milpitas. Currently there is no north-south bicycle connection between Alameda and Santa Clara counties on the west side of I-880; the nearest designated bikeway connection is via Warm Spring Boulevard.

Fremont Boulevard terminates just south of Lakeview Boulevard at the north boundary of a privately-owned parcel ("King & Lyon property"). Dixon Landing Road terminates just west of I-880, at the south boundary of the King & Lyon property. Within the King & Lyon property, a flood control channel under the jurisdiction of the Alameda County Flood Control District (ACFCD) extends in an east-west direction and empties into Coyote Creek. The ACFCD channel prevents north-south passage through the King & Lyon, as there is no bridge over the channel at this time. The King & Lyon property is planned for eventual development by a private developer; at that time Fremont Boulevard will be extended south to connect to Dixon Landing Road, with a new bridge or box culvert constructed over the ACFCD channel.

An existing segment of the San Francisco Bay Trail extends parallel and west of Fremont Boulevard, from approximately West Warren Boulevard to its terminus near Lakeview Boulevard. The Bay Trail Plan calls for the Bay Trail alignment in this area to continue south through the King & Lyon property, and continuing south in Santa Clara County along Coyote Creek.

Three potential alignment options have been proposed by City of Fremont staff for providing a Class I Bicycle Path from Fremont Boulevard to Dixon Landing Road, and completing this important inter-county connection:

1. Option A, "Direct" Route: This option would provide a direct Class I connection south from the current Fremont Boulevard terminus to Dixon Landing Road, generally following an existing gravel road through the King & Lyon property. This alignment would also generally follow the west side of the future Fremont Boulevard Extension, which will be constructed as part of eventual parcel development in this area. In order to complete this trail connection, a new bridge over the ACFCD channel would be necessary. (As part of the Fremont Boulevard Extension, a new bridge or box culvert will be constructed over the ACFCD channel.)
2. Option B, "Levee" Route: Under this option the Class I facility would cross the ACFCD channel near the terminus of Fremont Boulevard, and then extend west along the levee on the south side of the ACFCD channel to Coyote Creek. At Coyote Creek the alignment

would turn south and follow the levee on the east side of Coyote Creek to Dixon Landing Road. This alignment would require a new bridge to the south side of the ACFCD channel.

3. Option C, “Channel” Route: This option would begin near the intersection of Gateway Boulevard/Lakeview Boulevard, near the I-880 on-ramps, and extend a Class I facility south between the ACFCD channel and the I-880 shoulder. Once at the King & Lyon property, this alignment could either continue south directly to Dixon Landing Road, or turn west along the ACFCD levee and connect to Option B. Although this alignment would not require a new crossing of the ACFCD channel, a shorter bridge crossing of a tributary channel would be required.

The attached figure, Overview of Potential Alignment Alternatives, shows each the above alignments options on an aerial photo of the area.

### **Statement of Benefits**

The project benefits are twofold: 1) to provide an inter-county bicycle link between Alameda and Santa Clara counties parallel to the Interstate 880 corridor; and 2) to complete the connection in the San Francisco Bay Trail system between Alameda and Santa Clara counties.

The proposed project would provide an important north-south connection on the west side of the I-880 corridor between the counties of Alameda and Santa Clara, and the cities of Fremont and Milpitas. The direct alignment between Fremont Boulevard and Dixon Landing Road through the King & Lyon property is a distance of approximately 0.8 miles. However, due to the lack of a connector trail, and the barrier presented by the ACFCD channel, bicyclists currently must take a lengthy detour to complete this connection. Bicycle access is not permitted along I-880. Currently the nearest north-south designated bikeway connection between Alameda and Santa Clara counties is via Warm Springs Boulevard on the east side of I-880. Warm Springs Boulevard is striped with Class II bike lanes.

Accessing Warm Springs Boulevard from the terminus of Fremont Boulevard requires crossing I-880 at the West Warren Avenue/Mission Boulevard interchange, and connecting to Warm Springs Boulevard via Mission Boulevard. The West Warren Avenue/Mission Boulevard interchange currently is configured with a set of single direction ramps that serve both the local road crossing and high-speed I-880 on/off-ramp traffic, and no bicycle markings or signage are present. It has been estimated that the total on-street detour distance for a cyclist currently traveling between the Fremont Boulevard terminus and Dixon Landing Road is approximately 8 miles.

In addition to providing an inter-county bicycle link along the I-880 corridor, the proposed project would also serve to complete an important gap in the San Francisco Bay Trail system. There is an existing Class I Bay Trail segment immediately north of the proposed facility, extending along Fremont Boulevard to its terminus near Lakeview Boulevard. South of the proposed project segment, the Bay Trail is proposed to extend along Coyote Creek. This project would provide an extension of the existing Fremont Boulevard Bay Trail segment and connect Alameda and Santa Clara counties. San Francisco Bay Trail staff have indicated their support for the Fremont Boulevard to Dixon Landing Road Class I connector project



